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500 PERISH IN COLORADO FLOOD

FLAMES ADD TO RUIN IN PUEBLO; DAMAGE EXCEEDS TEN MILLIONS; THOUSANDS ARE LEFT DESTITUTE

City Stunned in Grip of Disaster as Refugees Straggle Through Mud-Morgues Being Filled With Bodies of the Dead.

WORKERS DARE TORRENT TO HELP THE INJURED

Trains Overturned, Scores Marooned as Rushing Waters Carry Away Entire Buildings Amid Cries of Woman and Child Occupants.

PUEBLO, Colo., June 4.-Flood waters of the Arkansas river swept through Pueblo last night and today and caused deaths Reichstag Approves Action Passes Through Baltimore that may total 500 and property damage in excess of \$10,000,000, according to the fragmentary reports that can be gathered as the flood recedes.

The whole business portion of Pueblo was under six to eight feet of water this morning but by afternoon the flood had begun FRANCE SEES GOOD WILL PLAYS GOLF ON ARRIVAL to recede, disclosing a scene of devastation.

To add to the horror of last night, lightning set fire to half If Tangible Proofs Continue Mina dozen buildings in the center of the city. Firemen could not reach the scene, and they would have been helpless if they could, for the flood had already cut off water service as well as the electric lights.

At the same time the rising flood overturned two trains filled

The railroad yards were left filled with mud covered debris and broken and overturned equipment, carrying the damages to voting. more than a million dollars. Business houses inside and out were covered with the same slimy mud, and in many cases even brick buildings were undermined and wrecked. Frame buildings in garding fulfillment of the allied ultimathe path of the flood were swept away, in many cases carrying. their inhabitants.

In the grip of disaster all Pueblo seemed stunned today. All attitude toward the Upper Silesian day long refugees, dazed and seemingly not knowing what to do. straggled about the mud covered streets. Mothers with babies in their arms, mothers whose arms were empty, old men and women and people of every description wandered about until gathered up and taken to a headquarters established this afternoon by the Red Cross. There they were fed and allowed to rest. With everything swept away but the clothes on their backs

and the few things they carried in little bundles, many moaned and cried, while others tried to find relatives and friends. The courthouse was thrown open and served as a canteen and hospital. St. Mary's Hospital, one of the principal hospitals in the city, was cut off by the Arkansas river waters and volunteer workers today brought equipment from it to the courthouse, where aid could be given the injured and dying.

All morning motor cars moved up Main street carrying bodies on the fenders, every body covered with mud.

Rescue Parties Brave Death in Efforts to Save Women

Harrowing experiences came to rescue parties as well as those they tried to reach. Friday night W. S. In. a desperate effort Rosen broke though so of Denver, state Y. M. C. A. through a transom over the show window. Men across the street shouted to rescuers on the second floor, who secretary, here to open a membership drive, and Clark Jantsen, assistant boys' secretary, attempted to reach two negro women stranded in a tree top five blocks from the heart of the business district. Their boat was caught in the swift current and had an exciting experience. At 11 p.m. both men were thrown into the water. Jantzen succeeded in getting out after having filed a newspaper disquickly, but Hopkins was in the patch to a Denver newspaper. water more than an hour.

J. B. Roberts and Robert Wayland, prominent business men, volunteered to take a boat and attempt to reach five inches deep was inside the buildtwo women whose calls could be ing. In a few minutes more he and heard in the darkness. After much Postmaster S. S. Bellefield waded difficulty they found one, a girl of ninèteen, Mary McAllester, clinging to a power wire and suspended in the swirling water. She was taken into the boat. They succeeded in getting the older woman into the boat, but she gave a lurch and the occupants of the boat fell into the waters. After a struggle Roberts and Wayland, with the girl, managed to scramble onto the roof of a floating house. The mother was lost. The trio floated until they reached water in which they could wade with safety.

Stranded in Her Home. nineteen, Mary McAllester, clinging safety. Stranded in Her Home.

Among the refugees an aged Mex-ab woman cried for some one to go ther her daughter, stranded in their in her hands she clasped a of clothes and a pound of but-

Joseph Rosen, clothing merchant, narrowly escaped death. Like most of the merchants, he was in his shop at Main and 2d streets attempting to

of the unfortunates. Fleeing before the rush of water, they had nothing but the clothes on their backs and a small box of valuables.

"And I just bought a \$135 phono-graph yesterday," wailed Mrs. Ver-hofsted.

On the Denver and Rio Grande train the known dead are: Duffey Wilson, switch foreman; J. E. Littlejohn, engineer, and "Dutch" Haines.

Twenty telegraph operators were marooned during the flood in the dispatcher's office of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway.

South Pueblo was cut off from the rest of the city, and few details of the damage aver there are available.

The Bouth Union avenue bridge and a railroad bridge, two blocks below (Continued on P. ... Column t...)

Dothan.

Young Scott came to Dothan today ple knew of the presence of the chief executive and the meal was finished without interruption.

Afterward the President lingered to pup at the last moment. Scott agreed to make the leap.

After circling the city and reaching an altitude of about 2,000 feet, according to examine the plane, but no one thought it was the plane.

mits.

The military force continued in

charge of the situation to Prisoners in the city jail or ground floors were hauled to

ed to rescuers on the second floor, who lowered a rope and hauled Rosen to

Wades Water Waist Deep.

Deputy United States Marshal H. B.

McIntire of Denver was another who

he returned to the Federal building

deep he attempted to change foot-

gear, but before he could do it water

"Kill the Looters," Is Order to Rangers in Ruined Area

to Pueblo as possible. Motor car trucks then will be used to trans ert the relief supplies late Pueblo. A force of rangers

"Kill the looters," was the instruction Col. Hamerock gave his is they prepared for the journey to Pueblo. The colonel ordered Maj. R. H. Jancke to take charge of the rangers in Pueblo.

by daylight temorrow," said Col. Hamerock.

VOTES CONFIDENCE PRESIDENT MOTORS IN WIRTH REGIME

on Allied Ultimatum and Silesian Attitude.

ister of War Will Keep Smaller

government's recent declaration re-

lution dealing with the government's

1919 CLASS NOT NEEDED.

France Decides to Accept Wirth's New Program Provisionally. By Cable to The Star and New York Tribus Convright, 1921.

PARIS, June 4.—Despite the reserva ion on Silesia and the Rhine customs in Chancellor Wirth's speech in the reichstag, which somewhat weakened it's tone, it is more and more clear

Minister of War Barthou announced today, on his return from a visit to the Rhine land, that the class of 1919 which was suddenly called up by

"If Germany continues to give tangible proof of her good will," Barthou said, " the entire class will return home at the end of the month. The class is composed of about many gave up their studies and vo cations, when the premier sent out the mobilization order from London on the night of May 1. Dr. Wirth's promises change the situation and force on the Rhine. The regular units of Degoutte's army continue on the Rhine: For fear his word might be misinterpreted in Germany Barthou

issued a formal statement saying: "The Rhine army is ready for ac tion to obtain guarantees for France and for the defense of her rights Always with this background Franc is safe in accepting the reichstag

The press, likewise, accepts the sincerity of Dr. Barthou's declarations

water waist deep in the lobby to BOY FALLS 2,000 FEET TO DEATH FROM PLANE

> Roy Scott Planned to Make Para chute Leap as Substitute for Man Who Declined.

DOTHAN, Als., June 4 .- Roy Scott

Dothan.

Unrecognized and Lunches by Roadside.

Party Occupies Revolutionary Officers' Quarters at Senator Knox's Home.

VALLEY FORGE, Pa., June 4.-- Mal

ing his first pleasure trip away from Washington since his insugaration, President Harding motored to Valley Forge today for a Sunday's visit at the country estate of Senator Philan-der C. Knox.

The President set out on his journey in true holiday style, even bringing his lunch and eating it like any other the responsibilities of his position ised the people by the republican party were not long in overtaking him. Be- during the national campaign last sum fore he had been a half hour at his mer and fall. destination he had shaken hands with came to serenade him, and had promised to make a public address tomorrow at the Washington Memorial Chapel at the historic Valley Froge

Accompanied by Mrs. Harding, Senator Knox, Secretary Christian and Brig. Gen. Sawyer, his physician, the President left Washington at 8:30 this morning and arrived at the Knox home at 3:15 p.m. after an uneventful that France is momentarily inclined 140-mile run over the Maryland and to give Germany the benefit of the Pennsylvania pikes. An hour after doubt and accept provisionally the his arrival he got away for a golf program the new chancellor offers at game at the Phoenixville Country t's face value and hope for the best. Cith and then spent the evening quietly with his host.

Lunch With Governor.

Besides attending the memorial chapel services tomorrow, the President and his party will lunch at the Knox home, with Senator Penrose and Gov. Sproul of this state.

Along most of the way here from the capital, the big limousine bearin the presidential coat of arms passed unnoticed in the stream of varied traffic. It threaded a path through without receiving a single sign o recognition from street crowds, and went through many smaller villages which appeared similarly unaware of their distinguished visitor.

ney, however, an increasing numbe of people were waiting at the towns along the way to cheer the President and in several places school children lined the streets and pelted the presidential party with flowers as it

Autos Parked Along Road.

towns on the route were decked in flags, and at the end of the trip nere the President's car ran between long lines of parked automobiles which screeched a welcome as he

11:30, where the roadway swings close to the Susquehanna river near Conowingo, Md. The veranda of a funds. quehanna rapids was chosen for the pionic grounds and the president and nineteen, of Headland, Ala., was the members of his party sat for an instantly killed at 7 o'clock to- hour about a table there munching on night when he fell 2,000 feet from the sandwiches and other picule dishes the airplane of Max Fortners, local brought from the White House kitchaviator, two and one-half miles from an in a big hamper slung behind a secret service car. Only a few peoexecutive and the meal was finished will necessarily be heavy.

> bank and picked a boquet of daisies French moving picture operator suf-and anemone. The President and the fored severe contumions when he was puppy became warm friends, and the charged and tossed by a young bull negro employe of the camp, who re-



Campaign Economy Pledges Cause Alarm as Figures Become Staggering.

ADMIT FAILURE TO CUT

Reed of Many Enermous Appropriations.

As week after week of the present several hundred school children, who Congress has rolled by the appropria tions have rolled up in staggering figunless a determined halt is called. Some of the republican members frankly are admitting that even a beginning in a curtailment of expenditures has yet to be made, and some ing to happen to them in the elections next year, if steps are not taken to cut down these expenditures.

Huge Appropriation Increases.

The naval appropriation bill, as it passed the Senate, is approximately 00.000,000 larger than it was when passed the House, nearly half a billion dollars all told. It is about \$60,000,000 greater than was the naval appropriation act for the fiscal year-

The Army appropriation bill, which is to come before the Senate this week, carries in the neighborhood \$335,000,000.

The second deficiency bill which has ust passed the Senate, carries about \$150,000,000, including millions of dollars for the Shipping Board, which was the subject of severe attack by Senator Kenyon of lows and others, who declared that the Shipping Board is wasting millions of dollars each

Banking on Budget Bill.

Just where the promised cut in exenditures is to come has not yet been made clear, it is said. The republi cans, however, are banking upon the Threaten Lynching Men Who Killnewly enacted national budget bill and the coming reorganization of the executive departments to work for conomy of expenditure.

At the same time that these large veterans of the world war are pressing for bonus legislation. The Colomthe revenues of this country. The democrats in the Senate and

One reason given for the large aplegacy of claims and other wan ex- negroes are caught. penditures left them by the fast adthat for years to come the government is going to need annually bil-

BULL GORES CAMERAMAN. SEVILLE, Spain, June 4 .- While

The bull destroyed the camera.

Thinking Wife Forgot Flowers for Baby's Grave, He Kills Her

ECONOMY THE RESOLUTION

By the Associated Press.
CHICAGO, June 4—Because he believed she had forgotten to place flowers on their baby's grave, Albert Beardnley of Melrose Park, killed his estranged Mrs. Alice Beard quarrel on the street today and then shot himself. He died in a

Blame Pormer Administration for RESIDENTS ASKED

Pump for North End of City to Be Shut Down Tuesday Morning.

intendent of the water department, to save water in their homes from 10 o'clock Tuesday morning until further notice.

One of the two pumps at the Rer reservoir is badly in need of repair Mr. Garland explained, and will be shut down Tuesday. It probably will be three or four days before the pump is back in service.

Mr. Garland made it clear that the people in the area served by the Reno reservoir will get water, but that it will be safer for the community not to use any more water than is necessary while only one pump is in opera-

The territory affected extends from 10th street and Michigan avenue in Brookland around the Soldiers' Home the section north of Rock Creek Church road: also between Georgia avenue and the western boundary of Rock Creek Park, and north of Shepoundary of Rock Creek Park and 50th street and north of Calvert street.

Mr. Garland has requested Walter Reed Hospital not to use the swimming pools there during the time the pump is out of service.

POSSE AND BLOODHOUNDS SEEK WOMAN'S SLAYERS

MEMPHIS. Tenn., June .- Posses appropriations are being made, the of officers from both Arkansas and bian treaty has been ratified by the Mave shot and killed Mrs. B. C Senate, agreeing to pay to Colombia Sweeney, wife of the manager of \$25.000,000 which must come out of the Mound City, Ark., mill of the East Arkansas Shingle and Lumber Company, in her tent at a logging House have not been slow to criticise camp of the company, four miles the republicans for the continuing from Memphis, on the Arkansas side large appropriations of government of the Mississippi river, late today. Feeling in Crittenden county is running high over the killing of Mrs Sweeney, and workers at the camp propriations by the republicans is the threaten a lynching if the suspected

ected of killing Mrs. Sweeney who was shot from ambush with shotgun, officers say. The two tents Young Scott came to Dothan today ple knew of the presence of the chief lions of dollars, and that the taxes occupied by the Sweeney family were a number of articles, including a revolver which Mrs. Sweeney was known to have been carrying, were the camp at the time, her husband ported to the mill of the company. | Hagerstown, Md.

WANTS PRESIDENT TO APPOINT BOARD

Senator Capper to Present Measure for Selection of D. C. Education Body.

CONFIRMATION IN SENATE Bill Is Based on Recommendations

Made by Special School Inquiry Committee. A bill providing for the appoint-

ent of the board of education of the District of Columbia by the President, instead of by the justices of the District Supreme Court, is to be innight. The bill will provide also for the confirmation of the members so appointed by the Senate.

In offering this bill, Senator Cappe is following out the recommenda tions of the special committee of the Senate which investigated the public expressed desire of the justices of the District Supreme Court that they be relieved of the duty of making these appointments. The Capper measure will not change the present size of education, but will merely amend the existing law re lating to the appointment of the board so as to transfer the appointing power to the President. Representative Focht, chairman of

the House District committee, has recently offered a bill providing for the appointment of the board of education by the District Commissioners. Senator Capper said last night tha be made by the President and con firmed by the Senate. He is chair man of the subcommittee on schools of the Senate District committee which has recently made an investi gation of the needs of the schools so far as additional buildings and playgrounds are concerned.

He expressed himself as well pleas

d with the recent action of the Senment to the second deficiency bill providing more than a million and a half dollars for new school buildings and playgrounds. His subcommittee plans to make a personal inspection of the schools as soon as opportunity

WIFE UNDER INDICTMENT FOR MURDER IS ARRESTED

NEW YORK, June 4 .- Mrs. Eva. Catherine Kaber of Cleveland, Ohio, indicted for the murder of her husband, Daniel, wealthy publisher, was headquarters. Detectives found Mrs. Kaber in the home of Mrs. Verona Smith, on the upper West Side.

ABERDEEN VICTIM DIES.

cumb to Injuries.

Lieut. Carl G. Eliason, one of th Army air service officers injured by the explosion of an aerial bomb at the Aberdeen proving ground Tuesday morntaken, Mrs. Sweeney was alone in ing, died last night at Walter Rec

PORTER DISARMING PROPOSAL AGREED ON BY REPUBLICANS

FIVE CENTS

House Foreign Affairs Members Approve Substitute for Borah Plan.

BACKS HARDING VIEWS AND HAS HIS SUPPORT

Definite Aims Expressed and Would Make President Head of Peace Movement.

A joint resolution "concurring In

the declared purpose of the Presiden; of the United States to call an inter-

national conference to limit armaments," was agreed upon yesterday The text was drafted by Chairmar Porter after a conference with Pres ident Harding at the White House Friday night and is believed to have met with his approval. It will be inis intended to convey to House con-derees on the naval bill the attitude

of the House on the whole question of Assistant Secretary of oosevelt, who discussed the proposal

different from that finally agreed ipon by the foreign affairs commitee. Some of them "directed," "re quested" or "urged" the President to all a conference of the nations, others lo so. In the final form, however, placed at the head of the movement with Congress expressing "Its full set forth in an address to Congress "that we are ready to co-operate with

other nations to approximate dis armament, but merest prudence for pids that we disarm alone." Text of Resolution

"Resolved by the Senate and Hous of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress as sembled, that the Congress hereby expresses its full concurrence in the address to Congress on April 12, 1921 that 'we are ready to co-operate with other nations to approximate disarm ament, but merest prudence forbids that we disarm alone,' and further and intention to call an international conference to consider the limitation of armaments with a view to lessen materially the burden of expenditures and the menace of war, and and in connection with the holding

propriated. Will Hasten Action

of such conference, the sum of \$100 .-

000, to be expended under the direc-

tion of the President, is hereby ap-

Representative Mondell of Wyoming ne republican leader, said that with the various views on the subject it had been thought best to have the foreign affeire mmittee, in touch with the situation broad and with the administration, outline what it construed to be the wisest lution itself will not be binding on the onferees, Mr. Mondell said, it would erve to "give them judicial notice" as to the feeling and attitude of the House. The naval bill, as returned from the Senate, will be called up tomorrow under a rule which will give it privileged status and immediate consideration. Mr. Mondell said the conferees to be named by Speaker Gillett would not be instruct on the Borah amendment, but that the resolution, while still leaving them free to act as they saw fit, could hardly be ignored, considering the agencies con-

rned in its preparation. Although the resolution made no ref. nce to land or sea armaments, Mr Porter said both were included under the

LANE MEMORIAL SERVICE. Rev. Cotton-Smith Returns to Con-

duct Ceremony This Afternoon.

Franklin K. Lane, former Secretary of the Interior, will be held this arternoon at 4 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal Church, 16th and H streets Rey. Roland Cotton-Smith, paster of the church, a close friend of Mr. Lane for many years, has returned eave of absence to conduct the services. The ceremony will be short consisting principally of a musical program.

A cordial invitation has been tended to all who wish to attend the services, but it has been requested that no flowers be sent to the church.

JOHN GOLDEN NEAR DEATH. NEW YORK, June 4.—Physicians late today abandoned hope for John Golden, president of the United Textile Workers of America, who recently suffered a breakdown from overwood